MINUTES

OF THE

ELEVENTH SESSION

OF THE

SYNOD

OF THE

UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,

IN CANADA,

HAMILTON, C. W.

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ROLL OF SYNOD FOR JUNE, 1850.

(☞ The figures mark the Sederunts at which the Members were present.)

PRESBYTERY OF LONDON.

MINISTERS.	SEDERUNTS.	ELDERS.	SEDERUNTS.
William Proudfoot,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
George Murray,			
James Skinner,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
Alexander M'Kenzie,	3 4 5 6 7		
John M'Lellan,			
Charles Fletcher,	2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
John Proudfoot,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7		
John Logie,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
William Howden,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		

PRESBYTERY OF FLAMBORO'.

Thomas Christie,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
James Roy,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*Robert Christie,*	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
Alexander Ritchie,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*John Fairbairn,*	1 2 3 4
William Barrie,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
Robert Torrance,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	*Jas. Armstrong,*	1 2 3 4
David Caw,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	*John Sinclair,*	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
		A. M'Naughton,	2 3 5
		P. Thornton,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
John Porteous,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7	*Adw. M'Knight,*	2 3 4 5
Alex. Drummond,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*David Christie,*	1 2 3 4 5 6 7
Alex. Henderson,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7		
William Christie,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*James Finley,*	2 3 4 5 6 7

PRESBYTERY OF TORONTO.

R. H. Thornton,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*Wm. Smith,*	4 5 6 7 8
John Cassie,	1 2 3 4 5		
William Fraser,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
George Lawrence,			
John Jennings,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*Jas. Robertson,*	
James Dick,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*Jas. Gilmour,*	
David Coutts,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*Wm. Little,*	
Alex. Waddell,	1 2 3 4 5	*Wm. Dunbar,*	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
James Pringle,			
Wm. Ormiston,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*Wm. Mitchell,*	1 2 3 4
John Duff,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*Wm. Archer,*	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8
John Ewing,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8	*Wm. Best,*	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

BRESBYTERY OF CANADA EAST.

William Taylor,	3 4 5 6 7 8	*J. C. Becket,*	4 5 6 7
Alexander Lowden,			
John Morrison,			
William Aitkin,	5 6 7 8		
A. Muir,	1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8		
A. Henderson,			

CORRESPONDENTS.—*Rev. Alexander Kennedy,*
" *Mr. M'Curdy,*
" *Andrew Kennedy,*
" *Walter Scott.*

MINUTES OF THE ELEVENTH SESSION

OF THE

SYNOD OF THE UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN CANADA, &c.

Hamilton, Tuesday, 4th June, 1850,

I. SEDERUNT,—7 *o'clock, p. m.*

The Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in Canada met, and after sermon by the Moderator, the Rev. David Caw, from Jer. XXIII. 5, was constituted.

The Roll was called and the Minutes of the last Session of Synod were read.

Reports of London Presbytery.

It was reported by the Presbytery of London that they had ordained Mr. John Logie, Pastor of the Congregation in Stanley, on the 2nd day of December last; and that on the 31st October last they had inducted the Rev. Wm. Howden into the Pastoral charge of the Congregation in Adelaide. The Presbytery of Flamboro' reported, that on the 3rd October last, they had ordained Mr. William Christie, Pastor of the Congregation in Chippewa. The Presbytery of Toronto reported that they had inducted the Rev. John Duff, to the Pastoral charge of the Congregations of Albion and Vaughan, on the 2nd and 3rd days of October last: that on the 23d day of last October they had ordained Mr. Wm. Ormiston, Pastor of the Congregation of Newton; and that they inducted the Rev. John Ewing into the Pastoral charge of the Congregation in Emily, on the 19th day of December last: Their names having been added to the Rolls of their respective Presbyteries, were thereupon added to the Roll of Synod.

Flamboro', Toronto.

Messrs. Muir and Henderson added.

On motion, the name of the Rev. Peter Muir of the Presbytery of Canada East was added to the Roll, with intimation that his connexion with this Synod be dated from the time of his Ordination, viz.: the 19th October 1848. The name of the Rev. Alexander Henderson of the Presbytery

of Canada East, was also added to the Roll.

Mr. Dalrymple demitted.

The Presbytery of Flamboro' further reported that on the 7th day of May last the Rev. J. R. Dalrymple demitted the charge of the Congregation in Hamilton; and that his name had been taken from the Roll of Presbytery. It was then taken from the Roll of Synod.

The Rev. Alexander Kennedy of Port of Spain, Trinidad, and the Rev. Messrs. Andrew Kennedy, McCurdy and Scott, being present, were invited to correspond and take their seats in Synod.

The Rev. Alexander Ritchie, was now chosen Moderator.

Com. of Bills and Overtures.

Appointed Messrs. Dick, John Proudfoot, Muir, and Barrie, a Committee of Bills and Overtures, to meet here to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock; Mr. Barrie, Convener.

Committee on Accounts.

Appointed Messrs. Porteous and Coutts, a Committee to audit the accounts of the Treasurer.

Devotional Exercises.

Appointed Messrs. Duff and Muir, together with the Moderator, to conduct the devotional exercises of the Synod to-morrow forenoon.

Presbyteries' Minutes.

Appointed the following Committees to examine the Minutes of Presbyteries, viz., Messrs. John Proudfoot and Skinner, to examine the Minutes of the Presbytery of Flamboro',—Messrs. Coutts and Waddell, the Minutes of the Presbytery of London, —and Messrs. Henderson and Caw, the Minutes of the Presbytery of Toronto.

Distribution of Preachers.

Appointed Messrs. Barrie, Coutts, and John Proudfoot, a Committee for the distribution of Preachers; Mr. Barrie, Convenor.

Adjourned to meet here to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

ALEX. RITCHIE, *Moderator*.

II. SEDERUNT.

HAMILTON, Wednesday, 5th June, 1850.
9 *o'clock, A. M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Alexander Ritchie, Moderator.

Sederunt. (See table.)

Devotional exercises were conducted by the Moderator, together with Messrs. Duff and Muir.

Report of Committee of Bills and Overtures.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures reported the matters of business following, and recommended that the several subjects be taken up in the order in which they are stated:

1st. The business upon the Minutes.

2nd. Protest and Appeal against the decision of the Flamboro' Presbytery, by the Rev. George Fisher.

3rd. The Protest and Appeal by certain Members of the Congregation of Esquesing against decision of said Presbytery.

4th. Overture on Statistics.

5th. Overture on Synodical Letter to Congregations.

6th. Overture on Correspondence between this Synod and the Synod of the United Presbyterian Church in Scotland. The report was received and adopted.

Report on Deed.

Mr. Proudfoot reported from the Committee appointed at last meeting of Synod, to investigate into all matters regarding the Form of a Deed for Congregational Property. The Draft of a Deed for said purpose was read.

The report was adopted. Ordered that the Draft now read be forthwith printed under the direction of Mr. Dick; and that copies be sent down to Presbyteries and Sessions throughout our bounds for consideration, and that Sessions report their opinions to their Presbyteries, and that Presbyteries report the result, together with the opinions of Presbytery, to the next meeting of Synod.

The Committee appointed at the Seventh Sederunt of last Session of Synod "to consider the literary course to be pursued by Students previous to their being admitted to the Thelogical Institute"—stated that as yet they had not agreed upon a report: and gave reasons why the report was not ready.

The reasons were sustained, and the Committee enjoined to report during the present meeting of Synod.

Mr. Fisher's protest.

Took up the Protest and Appeal of the Rev. George Fisher against the decision of the Presbytery of Flamboro' in his case.

Read, the complaint of certain members of the Congregation of Esquesing against Mr. Fisher.—Also, the evidence in the case of Mr. Fisher taken before the Presbytery of Flamboro':—Also, a paper of adherence to the doctrines of our standards and agreement with the doctrinal sentiments of Mr. Fisher, from certain members and adherents of the Congregation of Esquesing.

Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

ALEX. RITCHIE, *Moderator.*

III. SEDERUNT.

Same day and place, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted by the Rev. Alex'r. Ritchie, Moderator.

Resumed the business interrupted by the adjournment. Read the reasons of protest and appeal of the Rev. George Fisher, against the decision of Flamboro' Presbytery, read also the Presbytery's answers to said reasons of protest and appeal; also reasons of protest and appeal against the decision of Presbytery by John Stewart and others:—also, the answers of the Presbytery to said reasons of protest and appeal. Mr. Fisher's Case.

Heard the Rev. Mr. Fisher at length, in explanation and support of his protest.

Adjourned to meet at 6½ o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

ALEX. RITCHIE, *Moderator.*

IV. SEDERUNT.

Same day and place, 6½ o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted by the Rev. David Caw, Moderator *pro. tem.*

The Committee of Bills and Overtures reported the following papers, viz:

Nos. 13 and 14, Petitions from the Session and from the Congregation of Smith's Falls, praying that they be disjoined from the Presbytery of Montreal, and that the Minister and Elders of the Congregation of Smith Falls, together with those of Pakenham, be formed into a new Presbytery. Report of Com. of bills and overtures

Also No. 15, an overture from the Rev. Mr. Fraser anent the office of Assistant Clerk of Synod.

The Committee of Missions were called on for their report, when Mr. Drummond gave in an extended verbal statement of the proceedings of the Committee and of the state of the Mission. Report of Mission Committee.

On motion, the Report, with the suggestion regarding the concentration of the Committee were adopted, and the diligence of the Committee approved of. Adopted.

Mr. Coutts reported from the Committee to examine the accounts of the Treasurer that they had examined the accounts of the Rev. Mr. Christie and had found them correct. Report on accts. of Treasurer of U. P. S. Grant.

Mr. Christie read his accounts per item. Accts. approved.

On motion the accounts were approved of.

Robert Christie, Esq. the Synod's Treasurer read, at length, his accounts for the last year. Accts. of Synod's Treasurer.

Appointed Messrs. T. Christie and Torrance a Committee to consider the suggestions made regarding the best mode of applying for any part of the Mission Funds; to devise some scheme for this purpose; and to report to-morrow forenoon. Committee on aid from fund.

Recommended the Committee on Missions to look closely into all those cases regarding which there may seem to be any peculiarity in amount or otherwise; and to procure such information from Presbyteries as shall enable them to report distinctly whether the Congregations applying are doing their duty. Instruct Mission Committee.

Adjourned to meet to-morrow at 9 o'clock, A. M.

Closed with Prayer.

ALEX. RITCHIE, *Moderator.*

V. SEDERUNT.

HAMILTON, 6th June, 1850.

9 o'clock, A. M.

The Synod met and was constituted by the Rev. Alex. Ritchie, Moderator.

Mr. Porteous reported from the Committee on the Treasurers' Accounts that they had examined the accounts of the Mission fund and found them correct and properly balanced. Also that they had examined the accounts of the Synod and Academy Fund and found a balance due the Treasurer of £46 6s. 7½d. Accounts of Synod's Treasurer.

Minutes London Presbytery.

Mr. Coutts reported from the Committee to examine the minutes of the Presbytery of London that they had examined said minutes and found them accurately kept.

Minutes of Flamboro' Presbytery.

Messrs. Skinner and John Proudfoot reported that having examined the Minutes of the Presbytery of Flamboro' recorded since last meeting of Synod, they found them kept in an accurate and orderly manner.

The Committee of Bills and Overtures reported an Overture (marked No. 16) on the distribution of Preachers.

Messrs. Thos. Christie and Torrance, the Committee to draw up a plan as to the best mode of granting supplement to Congregations applying for aid from the Mission Fund, reported as follows, viz:

Plan of Supplementing Stipend.

1. It is recommended that all applying Congregations make their applications through the Presbytery with which they are connected and that the Presbytery transmit the same to the Committee on Missions with their opinion and advice.

2. That the application be the result of a Congregational meeting regularly called, and that it be signed by the Chairman and Treasurer.

3. That the Treasurer of the Congregation be the person authorised to draw the supplement granted.

4. That the Committee of Missions have full power, in connexion with the Presbytery, to make any inquiries, which to them may appear necessary, into the statistics or State of the Congregation.

5. The Committee recommend that, so far as practicable, all applications be made in the months of June and January, so that the supplement may be paid on the first of July and February.

Mission Com'ittee

Agreed that the plans suggested in the Report of the Committee of Missions (see page 112, No. 2) regarding the constitution of said Committee is found impracticable owing to the distance of the Members, and should therefore be changed; and that in accordance with a previous motion, the committee be now composed of the following

persons, viz.: Messrs. Torrance, Porteous, Roy and Drummond, Ministers; Messrs. Thornton, Chisholm, and T. Sandilands, elders. Mr. Torrance, Convener.

Resumed the case of Mr. Fisher and the complainers of the Congregation of Esquesing in appeal from the Presbytery of Flamboro'.

Appeals of Mr. Fisher and Presbytery of Flamboro'.

Heard the Presbytery of Flamboro', by Messrs. Porteous and Drummond, in reply to Mr. Fisher and in defence of their decision.

Heard the complainers, by their deputies Messrs. McNaughton & Stewart, in defence of their protest and appeal.

Heard the Presbytery of Flamboro' by Messrs. Barrie and Torrance, in reply.

Heard Mr. Fisher in explanation.

Heard the Complainers in explanation.

Parties were then removed and the Synod proceeded to give judgment.

The Roll was called and opinions of members heard until the hour of adjournment.

Adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

ALEX. RITCHIE, *Moderator.*

VI. SEDERUNT.

Same day and place, 2 o'clock, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted by the Rev. David Coutts, Moderator, *pro tem.*

Mr. Fisher's Demission.

The Rev. George Fisher here laid on the table a paper announcing to Synod his retirement from this court and his withdrawal from all connexion with the United Presbyterian Church in Canada, of the following tenor:

"I hereby give up all connection with the United Presbyterian Church in Canada.

REASONS:

"1st. Because my views regarding doctrine, especially the atonement of the Lord Jesus, are essentially different from those entertained by the majority of the Ministers.

"2d. Because in my opinion their views regarding the duties of a Minister of religion are defective and false.

"3d. Because in my opinion the minds of the

majority of the Ministers are not well cultivated nor furnished. G. FISHER."

Mr. Barrie's Motion.

1. It was moved by Mr. Barrie, seconded by Mr. Roy, That Mr. Fisher's demission of connexion with our Church be received without the reasons given in to Synod.

Mr. Fletcher's Motion.

2. It was moved by Mr. Fletcher, seconded by Mr. Taylor, That Mr. Fisher's demission and the reasons accompanying it be received and that a Committee be appointed to answer the same.

Rev. Jno. Proudfoot's motion.

3. It was moved by Rev. John Proudfoot, seconded by David Christie, Esq., That the Synod do proceed with the case and take no notice whatever of Mr. Fisher's demission at present.

Last Carried.

These several motions being put,—the last motion prevailed by a large majority.

Proceeded with the case and heard opinions to the end of the Roll.

Decision.

On motion of Mr. Thornton, seconded by Mr. Fletcher it was Resolved, That the Synod dismiss the Protests and appeals as ill-founded, and confirm the decision of the Flamboro' Presbytery.

Committee to answer Mr. Fisher's reasons of Demission.

It was resolved on motion of Mr. Thornton seconded by Mr. Barrie, That the decision of the Presbytery of Flamboro' being confirmed and Mr. Fisher having by his demission laid on our table while the case was pending, withdrawn himself from the discipline involved in the said decision, the Synod declare him no longer in connexion with the United Presbyterian Church; and appoint a Committee to answer Mr. Fisher's reasons of demission.

Messrs. Taylor and Ormiston were appointed a committee for the above purpose.

Dissent.

The Rev. Messrs. Roy and John Proudfoot and David Christie, Esq., craved that their dissent from the decision of Synod in the case be marked in the Minutes.

Minutes of Toronto Presbytery.

The Committee to examine the Minutes of the Presbytery of Toronto reported that they had examined said Minutes and found them correctly kept.

Adjourned to meet at half-past 6 o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

ALEX. RITCHIE, *Moderator.*

VII. SEDERUNT.

Same day and place, 6½ oclock, P. M.

The Synod met and was constituted by the Rev. Alex. Ritchie, Moderator.

Overtures on Statistics.

Took up an Overture from the Presbytery of Toronto respecting statistical reports, with a list of the necessary questions for such purpose.

Adopted.

After mature deliberation and some alterations made in those questions, the Schedule was adopted and ordered to be printed in the Appendix to the Minutes; and the necessary number of copies be furnished to congregations, to make up their report.

Answers to Mr. Fisher's reasons of Demission.

The Committee to answer Mr. Fisher's reasons of withdrawal from the United Presbyterian Church in Canada reported as follows:

ANSWER TO THE FIRST REASON.

Mr. Fisher has repeatedly declared that he adheres to the doctrines of the United Presbyterian Church; and at the time of his withdrawing no member of the court had given any expression of his views upon "the atonement of our Lord Jesus Christ": and it was therefore impossible for Mr. Fisher to know that his opinions were different upon this doctrine from those of the "majority of this court."

ANSWER TO SECOND REASON.

Our answer to this reason is the same as to the foregoing. This Court has never given any specific declaration of its views on the duties of Ministers of religion, and it is therefore impossible for Mr. Fisher to know whether they are "defective and false" or the contrary.

ANSWER TO THIRD REASON.

No answer to this reason is deemed necessary; we leave it to the Church and the world to judge.

Presbytery C. East excused.

In reference to the minute of the third Sederunt of last meeting of Synod reflecting on the Presbytery of Canada East for not sending certain papers to the Synod;—having heard explanations from Mr. Taylor, it was now resolved that the said Presbytery was not to blame for such omissions.

Took up an overture transmitted by the Presbytery of Toronto respecting Synodical Letter to congregations.

On motion of Mr. Jennings, seconded by Mr. Thornton, Messrs. Dick, and Duff were appointed a Committee to prepare, print, and circulate a letter in terms of the Overture.

Overture on Correspondence with the Home Synod.

Took up an Overture transmitted by the Presbytery of Toronto, regarding correspondence with the United Presbyterian Synod in Scotland.

In compliance with the recommendation of the Secretary of the Home Mission Committee, and in spirit of the above Overture; it was resolved that the Committee of Missions be enjoined to correspond as frequently as necessary with the Mission Board, in Scotland; and that said Committee be instructed to keep copies of their correspondence.

Treasurer's Salary.

On motion of Mr. Roy, it was unanimously agreed that Rev. Thomas Christie, have a salary as Treasurer of the Home Synod's Grant.

Messrs. Roy and Barrie were appointed a Committee to deliberate as to the amount of such salary, and to report to-morrow morning.

Adjourned to meet at 8½ o'clock.

Closed with prayer.

ALEX. RITCHIE, *Moderator.*

VIII. SEDERUNT.

HAMILTON, 7th June, 1850.
Friday, 8½ *o'clock, A. M.*

The Synod met, and was constituted by the Rev. Mr. Ritchie, Moderator.

Mr. Barrie to preach. Esquesing vacant.

Appointed Mr. Barrie to preach at Esquesing, on First Sabbath, the 9th inst., and to intimate to the congregation the result of the proceedings of Synod in the case of Mr. Fisher; and that he declare the church now vacant.

Took up an Overture respecting the assistant clerkship, recommending its abolition.

Assistant Clerkship.

On motion it was agreed, that the assistant clerkship be continued,—and that upon the suggestion of the clerks themselves, the salary be, for the Principal £5, and for the Assistant £1, per day, during the sitting of Synod.

Amount of Salary to Treasurer.

The Committee on the Amount of the Salary of the Treasurer of the Home Synod's Grant, reported:

On motion of Mr. Taylor, it was resolved that the Rev. Thomas Christie, the Treasurer of the Foreign Mission Fund, receive a salary of £10 per annum.

Thanks to Treasurer.

The thanks of the Synod were then given through the Moderator, to the Rev. Thos. Christie, for the zeal and diligence, and accuracy with which he has hitherto gratuitously performed the duty of Treasurer.

Overture on Distribution of Preachers.

Took up the Overture anent the distribution of Preachers, of the following tenor:—

That whereas, great inconvenience has resulted from the want of an authorized board for the distribution of preachers, during the intervals of Synod; and also from the present practice of taking a preacher off the list whenever he has received a call:—

It is hereby Overtured:

I. That there be appointed a Board, whose duty shall be,

(1.) To give appointments to any Preacher who may arrive in the country, or be received by any Presbytery, or be licensed during the interval of Synod.

(2.) To make a new distribution of Preachers on the Roll, whenever one of them shall have been appointed to a Pastorate, or in any way taken off the list.

II. It is also Overtured, that no Preacher shall be Ordained or Installed, till he have gone at least once, over all the Presbyteries.

All which is humbly submitted by

WM. PROUDFOOT.

Overture adopted.

On motion, the Overture was adopted, and the Clerks of Presbyteries enjoined to communicate with the Committee of Distribution, as soon as any Preacher is Licensed in their bounds, or whenever any Preacher is settled over a Congregation.

Com. appointed.

In accordance with this motion, Messrs. Thornton and Waddell, were appointed a Committee of Distribution:—and the Committee appointed at the first Sederunt of this Session of Synod, was discharged.

Petitions from Smith's Falls and Pakenham.

Entered on the consideration of the petitions from Smith's Falls, and Pakenham, praying, that the Ministers and Elders of these Congregations be formed into a Presbytery.

Granted.

It was agreed on motion of Mr. Thornton,—That the petitions be granted, and the petitioners be constituted a Presbytery, under the designation of the Presbytery of Lanark. The Presbytery to consist of the Rev. Messrs. Henderson, and Aitken, with Mr. Ballantyne, Elder, from Smith's Falls and Mr. Tait, Elder, from Pakenham. The first meeting to take place at Smith's Falls on Wednesday, 18th July next. Mr. Aitken, Moderator.—And if the Congregation in Madrid, N. Y., shall desire to be united to said Presbytery, the Presbyteries of Montreal and Lanark have full power to effect that object.

Letter from French Canadian Miss. Society.

Read a letter from the Secretary of the French Canadian Missionary Society, thanking the Synod for their attention to it hitherto, and expressing a desire that the Synod should continue to take an interest in its welfare.

Recommendation.

Renewed the recommendation formerly given that an Annual Collection be made in all our Congregations, in aid of the French Canadian Missionary Society.

Letter from Jamaica.

Read a letter from the Missionaries in Jamaica, in answer to our letter of last year.

Committee to Draft Answer &c. to Nova Scotia.

Appointed Messrs. Thornton, Dick, and Jennings a Committee to prepare a letter to the Missionaries in Jamaica, and to the Synod of the Presbyterian Church in Nova Scotia;—the Committee to report copies of said letters at next Meeting of Synod. And that as soon as practicable the Committee transmit a copy of the letter from Jamaica to the *Missionary Record*, with a desire that it may be published.

£1 10s. to Door-Keeper.

The Synod resolved that the sum of One Pound Ten Shillings be paid to the Church Keeper for his attendance and the expenses incurred by him during this session of Synod.

Com. on Literary Course of Students.

The Committee appointed last Sederunt of last Session, on the literary course to be pursued by Students previous to entering the Theological

Institute was discharged; and Messrs. Proudfoot, Dick, Thornton, Waddell and Jennings, were appointed the Committee for the foregoing purpose, to report at next Meeting of Synod. Mr. Dick, Convener.

On motion, Messrs. Waddell and Jennings were appointed a Committee to make the necessary arrangements for opening the Theological Institute in Toronto, in August next.

Next meeting.

Appointed next meeting of Synod to be held in the City of Hamilton, on Wednesday after the first Sabbath of June, 1851, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Agreed that 400 copies of the Minutes of Synod be printed forthwith and distributed to members of Synod.

Delayed all other causes.

Closed with prayer.

ALEX. RITCHIE, *Moderator*.
WM. PROUDFOOT, *Synod Clerk*.

Charge against the Treasurer.

1849.					
June 7.	Balance of account,				£68 12 5½
July 11.	Rec'd from Pickering Con.				2 0 0
1850.					
Jan. 3.	Do. Brantford	do.	for 1849,		2 0 0
26.	Do. Ayr	do.			10 0 0
29.	Do. Hamilton	do.			4 5 0
Feb. 4.	Do. St. George	do.	£7 3 9		
"	Do. Middleton	do.	2 16 3	—10 0 0	
6.	Do. Richm'd Hill	do.	2 6 7½		
"	Do. Thornhill	do.	2 3 4½	—4 10 0	
"	Do. Toronto,	do.		8 0 0	
12.	Do. Beverly	do.		2 16 5	
"	Do. Paris Col. 1849		£3 2 1		
"	Do. Paris S. S. M. B.		1 6 0	—4 8 1	
13.	Do. Esquesing	do.		1 6 6	
"	Do. Flamboro'	do.		0 15 0	
19.	Do. Brantford	do.		7 15 0	
23.	Do. Whitby	do.		9 17 7½	
"	Do. West Gwillimbury M. Fund,			2 1 7½	
"	Do. Tecumseth	do.		1 2 6	
"	Do. Essa	do.		1 5 2	
"	Do. Innisfil	do.		0 6 6½	
Mar. 1.	Do. Chippawa	do.		2 10 0	
5.	Do. Guelph	do.		1 15 0	
Apr. 12.	Do. London	do.		11 10 0	
"	Do. Eng. Settlement	do.	2 3 9		
"	Do. Proof-Line	do.	0 17 4½	—3 1 1½	
"	Do. McKillop	do.		1 0 0	
"	Do. Goderich,	do.		0 15 0	
17.	Do. Irvine	do.		1 9 6	
June 3.	Do. Mount Pleasant	do.		0 12 6	
	Do. Eramosa Mis. S.		£3 10 0		
	Do. do. col. for M. F.		1 11 6½	---5 1 7½	
5.	Do. Vaughan	do.	1 7 6		
	Do Albion	do.	1 8 8	---2 16 2	
	Do. Toronto Township	do.	1 17 0		
	Do. Brampton	do.	1 6 3	—3 3 3	
	Do. Richmond Hill	do.		2 16 4	
	Do. St. Catharines,	do.	for 1849,	3 16 3	
					£181 8 8

Discharge.

1849.		
June 7.	Paid Rev. Mr. Kennedy, £2 0 0	
1850.		
Jan. 29.	Paid for Printing 2,000 Copies Addresses on Missions, 3 1 9	
July 23.	Postages 0 1 11	
April 13.	Postages paid Rev. J. Skinner 0 1 11	
	Balance due by the Treasurer,	176 3 1
		£181 8 8

June 5, 1850.—We, the undersigned, appointed by the Synod to audit the Treasurer's Accounts, having examined them, find them correct, and that there is a balance due by the Treasurer of £176 3s. 1d.

Signed,

JOHN PORTEOUS,
A. W. WADDELL.

	Balance in the Treasurer's hands brought down,			£176 3 1
June 6.	Received from Newton Congregation,			4 0 0
	Port Hope,	do.		1 6 8
	St. Catharines,	do.	£1 13 3	
	Thorold,	do.	1 15 3½	--3 8 6½

Charge against the Treasurer.

1849				
July 11.	Pickering Con. S. Fund,			£1 0 0
Nov. 4.	St. Geo. Institute	do.	£2 6 0	
"	Middleton	do.	1 0 8½	—3 6 8½
"	Brantford	do.		1 13 1½
9.	Chippawa,	do.		2 10 0
13.	Eramosa,	do.		2 10 0
Dec. 21.	Ayr	do.		1 9 7
1850.				
Jan. 2.	Additional from Brantford			0 2 6
29.	New Glasgow Institute & Sy'd F'd.			2 7 0
Feb 12.	Esquesing	do.	do.	1 0 0
"	Paris Female weekly Prayer Meeting for Theological Library			3 10 0
"	Eramosa do. S. Fund			1 5 0
13.	Flamboro' Institute and S. Fund			5 0 0
"	Guelph	do.	do.	2 0 0
23.	Innisfil Institute			0 6 7
Mar. 8.	Hamilton	do.	for 1849	4 11 6
26.	St. Catherines	do.	do.	2 18 5¾
"	Do. S. Fund, 1849			2 2 6
"	Beverly Institute,			1 19 1½
Ap. 13.	London	do.	£2 15 0	
"	Do. Synod Fund,		0 18 0	—3 13 0
"	Eng. Settlement	do.	0 10 0	
"	Do. do. Institute,		1 6 3	--1 16 3
"	Proof-line	do.	0 17 4	
"	Do. Synod Fund,		0 8 2	--1 5 6
"	McKillop	do.	0 13 9	
"	Do. Institute.		1 17 6	--2 11 3
"	Goderich	do.	1 10 0	
"	Do. Synod Fund		0 5 0	--1 15 0
"	Stanley	do.		0 13 3
"	Blenheim, Burford and Woodstock,		0 5 0	
"	Do. do. Institute,		0 15 0	--1 0 0
26.	Ayr Synod Fund,			1 0 6½
May 19.	St. George,	do.	1 8 0	
"	Middleton,	do.	1 0 0	--2 8 0
June 4.	London, second contribution			0 15 0
"	Chippawa Con. Synod Fund			1 8 6
"	Proceeds of Sale of Proceedings of Com'tee on Union			9 10 0
"	West Gwillimsbury S. F.		1 2 4¼	
"	Tecumseth,		0 15 1	
"	Essa,		1 3 0	--3 0 5½
"	Whitby Con.			1 18 6½
"	Balance due the Treasurer,			46 6 7½
				£118 13 11½

Discharge.

1849.		
Jun. 7.	Balance due the Treasurer bro't forward,	£34 9 5½
July 5.	Paid Rev. W. Proudfoot, 1 quarter's salary as Professor,	15 0 0
Oct. 23.	Paid Rev. W. Proudfoot, 1 quarter's salary as Professor,	15 0 0
"	Paid for printing 400 copies of Minutes of Synod, £2 12 0	
"	Stitching & Binding, 0 10 0	
"	Printing 500 copies Report of Com. on Mi's. 0 18 9	
"	Printing 40 sheets Statistical Report, 1 2 6	--5 3 3
1850.		
Jan. 5.	Paid Rev. W. Proudfoot 1 quartr's salary as Professor,	15 0 0
Mr. 28.	Paid Rev. W. Proudfoot 1 quart's salary as Professor.	15 0 0
"	Paid Rev. Mr. McKenzie, Hebrew Tutor, Board and Travelling expenses, Dec. 1849	3 1 3
June 5.	Paid Rev. W. Proudfoot's salary as Clerk of Synod,	10 0 0
"	Paid Rev. Mr. Fraser, assistant Clerk of Sy'd.	6 0 0
		£118 13 11½

June 5, 1850.--We, the undersigned, appointed by the Synod to audit the Treasurer's Accounts, having examined the same, find them correct with a balance due the Treasurer of £46 6s. 7½d.

Signed,

JOHN PORTEOUS,
A. W. WADDELL.

June 6.	Rcd. from Picker'g Con. S. F.		£1 15 0	
	Newton Con.	do.	1 0 0	
	Port Hope do.	do.	1 6 8	
	Do. Institute,		1 6 8	
	Rev. D. Coutts, North Con.	do	1 11 0	
	Do. South	do.	2 5 1	
	Bal. brt. down,			£46 6 7½
June 7.	Paid Rev. W. Proudfoot, 1 quarter's salary as Professor,			15 0 0

STATISTICAL REPORT

Of the United Presbyterian Congregation
of in the Presbytery
of for the year ending on the 31st December, 185 .

N. B.—One copy to be kept by the Congregation, and another delivered to the Presbytery.

1. Organized Congregations,
2. Stations within bounds,
3. Average attendance,
4. Members added,
5. Members removed,
6. Members on the Roll,
8. Baptisms,
9. Number in Religious Classes,
10. Number attending Prayer Meetings,
11. Number of Vols. in Libraries,
12. Number of Churches,
17. Is property deeded?
18. Congregational Debt,
19. Total Income,
20. Expenditure on
    1. Stipend,
    2. Church Property,
    4. Theological Fund,
    5. Synod and Presbytery Funds,
    6. Synod's Missions,
    7. General Missions,
    8. Contributions to the Poor,
    9. Incidental Expenses,

(Signed)

Clerk of Congregation.
Minister.
Clerk of Session.

Nursing
149-50-156
Presbytery of Brockville 152
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Mr. Pennie (post-deed) 146-160-

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